



## Center for Educational Performance and Information

This page is being posted as a courtesy resource for all users of the Graduation/Dropout Review and Comment Application. Any messages that previously have been posted to the SRSD Listserv or e-mailed to authorized users, and/or that you may have missed, are here in one document.

Sent 1/8/09 to GAD Authorized Users and SRSD Listserv:

Subject: Clarification concerning the Graduation and Dropout (GAD) Application

This message is being sent to the Single Record Student Database (SRSD) Listserv and to all GAD authorized users. It supplements the GAD Application memo that was released on December 17, 2008 (GAD Memo #1), and provides clarification information on the GAD, which opened on January 5, 2009.

The deadline for authorized users to complete requests to change an accountable entity (accountability re-point) via the GAD Application is January 23, 2009. This was incorrectly stated in the original memo.

### **Extension Requests**

- Authorized users may have noticed that a fifth-year extension request is no longer available. In the 2007 GAD, extensions removed students from their cohort and placed them into the next cohort. According to federal regulations (released in October 2008), once a student has been placed into a cohort, the student cannot be moved from that cohort. Therefore, this functionality has been disabled and reversed for 2007 cohort students.
- A cohort year change request should not be mistaken as an extension request. A cohort year change request is to be used if the system incorrectly placed a student into the cohort (e.g., data was submitted with the wrong UIC, district misreported a kindergarten student as a ninth-grader, etc.). These requests will be reviewed by a committee of CEPI and Michigan Department of Education staff members.

### **Five-Year Rates**

- Authorized users are reminded to review their 2007 cohort students in the GAD in addition to their 2008 cohort students. The five-year graduation and dropout rates will be calculated in the same manner as the four-year rates, so changes to data for students in the 2007 cohort will be reflected in these rates.

## **Exit Status Changes**

- Submitting an exit status request to change a code to "08" (transferred to another district in Michigan) in the GAD will not remove accountability from a district. The transfer code only changes accountability when another district has submitted an SRSD record for the student after your district last submitted the student. If you believe accountability has been assigned in error, please submit an accountability re-point request.

An issue with the automated process that originally assigned the accountable entity and final exit status has been identified and resolved. Authorized users are encouraged to verify that their data are now accurate.

Please reference the resources available on the CEPI website for additional information. If you have questions, contact CEPI at [cepi@michigan.gov](mailto:cepi@michigan.gov) or 517-335-0505 (select option 3). As always, CEPI appreciates your continued cooperation.

Thank you,

CEPI Longitudinal Data Unit

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Sent on 1/27/09 to GAD Authorized Users and SRSD Listserv

Subject: Graduation and Dropout (GAD) Application one week exit status request extension

This message is being sent to the Single Record Student Database (SRSD) Listserv and to all GAD authorized users.

The original deadline for authorized users to complete exit status requests via the GAD Application was February 6, 2009. This functionality will be extended to February 13, 2009.

If you have questions, contact CEPI at [cepi@michigan.gov](mailto:cepi@michigan.gov) or 517-335-0505 (select option 3). As always, CEPI appreciates your continued cooperation.

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Sent on 2/13/09 to GAD Authorized Users and SRSD Listserv

Subject: Graduation and Dropout (GAD) Application extension for ISD Outlier Audit Findings

This message is being sent to the Single Record Student Database (SRSD) Listserv and to all GAD authorized users.

The original deadline for ISD authorized users to complete district outlier audits via the GAD Application was February 6, 2009. This functionality will be extended to March 6, 2009.

If you have questions, contact CEPI at [cepi@michigan.gov](mailto:cepi@michigan.gov) or 517-335-0505 (select option 3). As always, CEPI appreciates your continued cooperation.

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Sent on 2/26/09 to GAD Authorized Users & Superintendents

Subject: Graduation and Dropout (GAD) Application Deadline Reminder for ISD Exit Status Request Approvals

This message is being sent to all GAD authorized users and Superintendents

This message is being sent as a reminder that the deadline for ISD authorized users to complete their review and approval/denial of district exit status requests via the GAD Application is March 6, 2009. After this deadline, the GAD Application will close to enable CEPI to calculate the building and graduation rates and make them available via the GAD Application.

If you have questions, contact CEPI at [cepi@michigan.gov](mailto:cepi@michigan.gov) or 517-335-0505 (select option 3). As always, CEPI appreciates your continued cooperation.

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